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FOREIGN NEWS ON APPLES

THE HAMBURG APPLE MARKET

The poor condition of both boxed and barreled apples offered on the Hamburg auction on Thursday, March 21, caused a decided downward tendency in prices, according to a cable received in the Foreign Service of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics from Mr. Edwin Smith, the Bureau's Fruit Specialist in Europe. Approximately 5,400 barrels and 108,000 boxes were offered during the sale. A large proportion of the barreled fruit ranged from \$3.59 to \$5.96 per barrel owing to its poor condition.

Hamburg prices on barreled stock were much lower than the Liverpool level this week. Virginia Winesaps, for example, ranged from \$8.39 to \$8.64 in Liverpool for fruit in fair condition, while Hamburg paid only from \$3.59 to \$5.72 per barrel. The Liverpool level on Extra Fancy Washington Winesaps was \$2.92 to \$3.16 while Hamburg prices ranged from \$2.86 to \$2.98 per box.

Prices paid for American apples in Hamburg

Variety and grade	Origin	Price	
		March 14, 1929	March 21, 1929
		<u>Dollars</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
<u>BARRELS</u>			
Winesap: U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch	Virginia	a/	3.59-5.72
Gano: U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch	"	7.15-9.41	5.00-7.86
Albermarle Pippin: U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch	"	a/	7.62-7.86
Baldwin: U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch	New York	5.96-7.15	5.48-5.72
<u>BOXES</u> b/			
Winesap: Extra Fancy, 138/163	Washington	3.10-3.33	2.86-2.98
Rome Beauty: Extra Fancy, 138/163 ..	"	2.86-3.33	2.86-3.33
Arkansas Black: Extra Fancy, 138/163	Oregon	2.86-3.33	2.62-2.86
Yellow Newtown: Extra Fancy, 138/163	"	2.80-3.45	2.86-3.10
a/ None quoted in 1929			

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b/ Fancy grade brought 25 cents per box less.

